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## IN THE SENATE OF THE UNITED STATES

February 3, 1999

Mr. Kyl (for himself and Mr. McCain) introduced the following bill; which was read twice and referred to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources

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- 1 Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representa-
- 2 tives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,
- 3 SECTION 1. SHORT TITLE.
- 4 This Act may be referred to as the "Wellton-Mohawk
- 5 Transfer Act".

#### 1 SEC. 2. TRANSFER.

- 2 The Secretary of the Interior ("Secretary") is author-
- 3 ized to carry out the terms of the Memorandum of Agree-
- 4 ment No. 8-AA-34-WAO14 ("Agreement") dated July
- 5 10, 1998 between the Secretary and the Wellton-Mohawk
- 6 Irrigation and Drainage District ("District") providing
- 7 for the transfer of works, facilities, and lands to the Dis-
- 8 trict, including conveyance of Acquired Lands, Public
- 9 Lands, and Withdrawn Lands, as defined in the Agree-
- 10 ment.

#### 11 SEC. 3. WATER AND POWER CONTRACTS.

- Notwithstanding the transfer, the Secretary and the
- 13 Secretary of Energy shall provide for and deliver Colorado
- 14 River water and Parker-Davis Project Priority Use Power
- 15 to the District in accordance with the terms of existing
- 16 contracts with the District, including any amendments or
- 17 supplements thereto or extensions thereof and as provided
- 18 under section 2 of the Agreement.

## 19 SEC. 4. SAVINGS.

- Nothing in this Act shall affect any obligations under
- 21 the Colorado River Basin Salinity Control Act (Public
- 22 Law 93–320, 43 U.S.C. 1571).

#### 23 **SEC. 5. REPORT.**

- 24 If transfer of works, facilities, and lands pursuant to
- 25 the Agreement has not occurred by July 1, 2000, the Sec-

- 1 retary shall report on the status of the transfer as pro-
- 2 vided in section 5 of the Agreement.
- 3 SEC. 6. AUTHORIZATION.
- 4 There are authorized to be appropriated such sums
- 5 as may be necessary to carry out the provisions of this

6 Act.

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